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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

ALBERT et al.

Serial No.: 09/430,412

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Atty. File No.: 2268UO-1

For: "MUTATIONS OF THE 5' REGION
OF THE HUMAN 5-HT1A GENE,
ASSOCIATED PROTEINS OF THE
5' REGION AND A DIAGNOSTIC
TEST FOR MAJOR DEPRESSION
AND RELATED MENTAL ILLNESSES")

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This response is filed in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of April 19, 2004. This response is believed to be timely and therefore, no fees are enclosed. In the event that fees are due in connection with this response, please debit Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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